## CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

1685 "E" Street, Fresno, CA 93706

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Concerning

ADOPTION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (NPDES PERMIT NO. CA0083399) FOR

CITY OF BAKERSFIELD AND COUNTY OF KERN STORM WATER DISCHARGES FROM MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM KERN COUNTY

The City of Bakersfield and County of Kern own and operate a Phase I municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) that serves the City of Bakersfield and portions of the County of Kern. Storm water runoff from the MS4 discharges primarily to groundwater, but also discharges to the Kern River and local canals.

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) will consider adopting waste discharge requirements to renew National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. CA0083399 for discharges from the MS4.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting scheduled for:

DATE:

5/6 December 2013

TIME:

9:00 AM

PLACE:

Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region

11020 Sun Center Drive, #200 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

City of Bakersfield and Kern County

Only designated parties will have the following rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m.** on **14 October 2013**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and, in particular, how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item must submit testimony, evidence, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m.** on

14 October 2013. Testimony, evidence, and/or written materials submitted after 5:00 p.m. on 14 October 2013 will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party. All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair. Both designated parties and interested persons may be asked to respond to clarifying questions from Board Members, counsel staff, or others, at the discretion of the Central Valley Water Board.

Anyone having questions on the hearing item should contact Debra Mahnke at (559) 445-6281 or debra.mahnke@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested parties may download the tentative waste discharge requirements and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board decisions/tentative orders/.

Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 1685 "E" Street, Fresno, California, 93706 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The final meeting agenda will be available at the following website:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_info/meetings/ at least 10 days before the meeting.

The agenda will provide the specific date the Board Meeting will be held for this item, indicate the anticipated order of all agenda items, and include staff revisions to the proposed waste discharge requirements, if any.

The procedures governing Regional Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500, et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws\_regulations/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Central Valley Water Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least five working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

Lonnie M. Wass, Supervising Engineer